

community was being a founding member of the Merrimack Repertory Theatre. Throughout forty years, the Theatre has operated as a world class venue that has attracted famous artists from around the world. Due to her grit and determination, working class families in the community were introduced to the wonderful world of arts and humanities. To this day, the Merrimack Repertory Theatre continues to be a cornerstone for the performing arts throughout the Merrimack Valley.

Nancy has lived an extraordinary life dedicated to service. Over the years, Nancy has given to countless local organizations and served on numerous boards that have positively impacted the Greater Lowell community. She was a longtime president of the Merrimack Repertory Theatre and chair of the Whistler House Museum of Art, and she has served and continues to serve on the boards of the New England Quilt Museum, the former Revolving and American Textile and History Museums, Lasell University, UMass Lowell, Enterprise Bank and so many more. She also played an integral role in the United Way of Mass Bay and Merrimack Valley, and the International Institute.

Throughout her life, Nancy has remained steadfast in her dedication to giving back to our community. She has worked tirelessly to make Lowell a better place to live and work. Nancy's contributions to the arts and humanities in Lowell has made a lasting impact on the City and will continue to be felt for generations to come. Tonight, Nancy will be honored by the Whistler House for her lifetime of service, and celebrated as the model for all who are seeking to live a life dedicated to making the world a better place.

Most importantly, Madam Speaker, Nancy is known for her love of her family and friends, the kindness she shows to those around her, her unbelievable humanitarianism and philanthropic work, and her immense pride in the Greater Lowell community. Her legacy is one that will prove unforgettable and everlasting in our City.

HONORING MICHAEL BAILEY FOR CARIBBEAN HERITAGE MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 24, 2022

Mr. SOTO. Madam Speaker, Michael Bailey is a native of Kingston, Jamaica, who migrated to New York City in 1975. Mr. Bailey worked as a mainframe computer operator for the Chase Manhattan Bank and then as a LAN administrator for Credit Suisse First Boston before relocating to Poinciana in Osceola County, Florida.

Mr. Bailey has been a resident of Osceola County since 2000. He has served as secretary/treasurer of the Village One Association of the Association of Poinciana Villages.

He has been a board member of the Poinciana Youth Soccer Organization and served as the past president of the Caribbean & American Peoples Association. He has helped sponsor events and create an atmosphere that leads to respect and mutual understanding among the ethnic groups in his community.

Mr. Bailey's actions have helped identify, recognize, and support persons of Caribbean

ancestry residing in the Central Florida region. These efforts have also encouraged involvement with other groups to collectively spearhead projects that improve the quality of life in the community at large. Meanwhile, Mr. Bailey's actions have promoted multi-cultural events which complement CAPA efforts and enhance their values of contributing to educational and humanitarian needs as warranted.

Mr. Bailey also believes that successful movements are rooted in trust, and that trust is earned. He believes we are committed to earning trust by keeping the promises we make, practicing honesty and transparency in everything we do, and taking responsibility for our assumptions, words, and actions.

Mr. Bailey is presently employed by ATOS, Inc., a technology company where he works as a system technician.

He has been married to his lovely wife Geraldine for 26 years and, between them, they are parents to four children and 10 grandchildren.

HONORING CINDY REEDER

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 24, 2022

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Cindy Reeder. Cindy Reeder is an exceptional woman who won the award for Woman in the Workplace from the YWCA St. Joseph Awards Program.

Cindy Reeder is the Treatment Court Administrator for the Buchanan County 5th Judicial Circuit. Starting out as a clerk in Division 3, she willingly took on the additional responsibility of the program, along with her regular duties as a clerk. Over the years, she has been instrumental in developing the fluid process in which participants are referred to the program and has the responsibility of tracking all participant case information while on supervision. During her 21 years of service to the program, Cindy has continuously worked to improve the program to match both state and national levels and serves on the Missouri Association of Treatment Court Professionals. Her continual dedication has made her effectively the heart and soul of her program.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in thanking and congratulating Cindy for winning the Woman in the Workplace award as well as her hard work in serving the people of the Sixth Congressional District. I am proud to represent Cindy Reeder in the United States House of Representatives.

RECOGNIZING PHYLLIS EDWARDS

HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 24, 2022

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, today I want to acknowledge the exemplary leadership and commitment to service of Phyllis J. Edwards.

Phyllis has dedicated her work and time to protect and advocate for underrepresented communities within Michigan's 13th District, specifically senior citizens in Detroit. As exec-

utive director for Bridging Communities, a non-profit that focuses on improving the quality of life of seasoned citizens and their families, she received numerous accolades for her leadership and consistent advocacy on behalf of seniors' needs in Detroit. Bridging Communities has been steadfast in providing unique services, such as its community time bank and other programs that help create meaningful connections among neighbors. Prior to her executive position, Phyllis served as Social Service Program Manager for more than 30 years with the Wayne County Department of Health and Human Services. She has become a pivotal member of the community through her extensive involvement as a board chair for Aging Services Consortium for Detroit, advisory board member for First Merchant Bank, national board member of the National Association of Nonprofit Organizations and Executives, and co-chair for the Detroit National Community Reinvestment Coalition.

In short, Phyllis Edwards has made an immeasurable impact on the lives of countless residents through her work. Her efforts to improve the quality of life for senior citizens attests to her love and passion for community-based work. Please join me in recognizing her many outstanding contributions to Michigan's 13th District Strong as we wish her well on the next chapter in her life.

HONORING THE LIFE OF U.S. NAVY HOSPITALMAN CHRISTOPHER GNEM

HON. JERRY MCNERNEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 24, 2022

Mr. MCNERNEY. Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and service of U.S. Navy Hospital corpsman Christopher Gnem, who died in a Marine landing craft accident off the coast of Southern California. Christopher, a hospital corpsman with Bravo Company, BLT 1/4, 15th, MEU, was among nine servicemembers who were killed in the accident.

Christopher was a graduate of Lincoln High School in Stockton, California. He is remembered by his family, and friends for his kind spirit and the positive impact he made on those around him.

Our community mourns the loss of Christopher, and our thoughts and prayers are with his family. Christopher selflessly chose to serve our Nation, and his commitment to our country will not be forgotten.

I ask my colleagues to remember Christopher Gnem and the brave men and women who place themselves in harm's way in service to our country.

HONORING NICOLE REID FOR CARIBBEAN HERITAGE MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 24, 2022

Mr. SOTO. Madam Speaker, Nicole Reid was born on the beautiful island of Barbados. She migrated to New York at the age of 12,